



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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April 10, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 4, AND 5  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. RDC0011919 - Montrose Avenue, et al., vicinity of Glendale (5), Palp, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$94,498.66, and a final contract amount of \$2,447,027.96.

Project ID No. RMD4446006 - Parkway Tree Trimming, Road Division 146 and 446, 2005-06, vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier (1 and 4), United Pacific Services, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$2,705.00, and a final contract amount of \$199,185.00.

Project ID No. WWD4004029 - Equipping of Drinking Water Well Nos. 4-62, 4-67, and 4-68, City of Lancaster (5), PPC Construction, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$997,479.70.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. RDC0011919 and RMD4446006.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modifications to the contract amounts are a credit in the amount of \$94,498.66 and an increase in the amount of \$2,705.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$199,185.00 to \$2,447,027.96.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

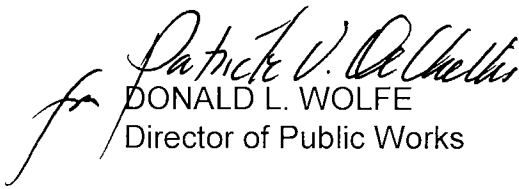
Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

  
DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0011919, MONTROSE AVENUE, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Glendale), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Palp, Inc., 2230 Lemon Avenue, Long Beach, California 90806

### Project Description:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of existing roadway pavement; reconstruction of curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveways, and curb drains; construction of curb ramps and bus pads; removal, root pruning, and planting of parkway trees; and the installation of striping and pavement markings.

### Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$95,253.93)
(2) Install Drain and Grated Box Inlet	<u>755.27</u>
Total	(\$ <u>94,498.66</u> )

### Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) Your Board previously approved a change in work to install a curb drain and grated inlet box. The cost of this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 22, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

During construction, the contractor requested 20 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount of \$1,050.00.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$2,471,822.07
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	70,754.55
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(94,498.66)
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(1,050.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$2,447,027.96</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4446006, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, ROAD DIVISION 146 AND 446, 2005-06 (in the vicinities of Santa Fe Springs and Whittier), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 4

Contractor: United Pacific Sevices, Inc., 120 East La Habra Boulevard, Suite 107, La Habra, California 90631-2310

Project Description:

Parkway tree trimming and removal.

Changes in Work

Variations in bid quantities	\$2,705.00
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Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based on estimated quantities of various bid items. The contractor is paid based on the actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on the contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 2, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$196,480.00
Changes in work Authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>2,705.00</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$199,185.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. WWD4004029, EQUIPPING OF DRINKING WATER WELL NOS. 4-62, 4-67, AND 4-68 (City of Lancaster), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: PPC Construction, Inc., 336 North Central Avenue, Suite 10A, Glendale, California 91203

Project Description:

Equipping of three previously drilled water wells including the construction of 8-inch steel discharge pipe, air release and vacuum valves, check valves, and gate valves; the installation of electrical conduits, wires, and panels; and other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on August 15, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$897,600.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>99,879.70</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$997,479.70</u>

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